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REMARKS

Upon entry of the present paper, claims 2, 11, 12 and 14 will have been amended. Thus,

claims 2-14, 16-18, 20 and 21 are pending in the application.

Upon review of Applicant's amendment of the claims filed on January 7, 2011, Applicant

amends claims 2, 12 and 14 to provide proper antecedent basis, and claim 11 to improve the

clarity of the claims.

Although the present amendment is being submitted after the mailing of the Notice of

Allowance, and although an amendment may not be made as a matter of right after the mailing of

the Notice of Allowance, Applicant submits that entry of the amendment is appropriate to

provide proper antecedent basis in claims 2, 12 and 14 and to clarify the terms in dependent

claim 11, which do not effect the scope of the claims or continue prosecution. Applicant also

submits that the present amendment does not require any additional search, that only a cursory

review of the record is necessary, and that the present amendment does not involve materially

additional work on the part of the USPTO. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests entry of

the present amendment under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the

below-listed telephone number.

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